



Informational Notes for First Responders and Officials

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Regionalization Committees to Maximize Future Federal Grants

In an effort to maximize future homeland security grants, Governor Matt Blunt signed Executive Order 06-09, which establishes the concept of Regional Homeland Security Oversight Committees (RHSOC). Based on the Missouri State Highway Patrol Troop Area geographic boundaries, the nine RHSOCs will identify local priorities, capabilities, and coordinate program activities within their region. As one body, the committee will make recommendations to Missouri's Homeland Security Advisory Council for program and equipment priorities.

Each RHSOC comprised of 13 core disciplines, non-voting ex-officio state agencies, and one Regional Planning Committee provides administrative support. The core disciplines are: Emergency Management, Police Chief, Sheriff, Fire Chief, County Health, Homeland Security Response Team, City or County Public Works, Mayor or City Administrator, County Commissioner, Private Industry/Public Utility, Emergency Medical Service, 911, Volunteer Group Representation.

SEMA's Training Schedule Posted to Homepage

Be sure to check SEMA's new training schedule often! New classes may be added throughout the year.

Here is the link: <http://training.dps.mo.gov/sematraining.nsf/TrainingSchedule?OpenForm>

The following new FY'06 SEMA courses have enrollment openings:

9/13-14	Resource Management (APDS)	Branson
9/19-21	Community Emergency Response Team T-t-T	Independence
10/2-4	Emergency Planning for Special Needs T-t-T	Jefferson City
10/2-8	Hazards Incident Management Team	Jefferson City
10/9-15	Hazards Incident Management Team	St Louis
10/9-11	Community Emergency Response Team T-t-T	New Madrid
10/11-12	Evacuation and Re-entry Planning (APDS)	West Plains
10/13-15	Community Emergency Response Team T-t-T	Hannibal
10/17-19	Basic Public Information (APDS, POST)	St Louis City
10/17-20	Incident Command System T-t-T (POST)	Jefferson City
10/18-20	Debris Management (APDS)	Springfield
10/31-11/2	WMD Threat & Risk/Local Jurisdiction (POST)	St. Charles
11/1-2	Medical Considerations for WMD	Kirkville
11/7-9	Principles of Emergency Mgt (PDS,,POST)	Chesterfield
11/14-15	Donations Management (APDS)	Springfield
11/27-29	LE Response to WMD Operations T-t-T	St Louis City

Missouri Receives USDA Agriculture Drought Designation

Missouri is one of six states designated an agricultural drought designation by the USDA. The designation makes all qualified farm operators eligible for low-interest emergency (EM) loans from the Farm Service Agency (FSA), provided eligibility requirements are met. Farmers have till 5/1/2007 to apply for the loans to help cover part of their actual losses. FSA will consider each loan application on its own merits. FSA has a variety of programs available to help eligible farmers recover from adversity. For more information: <http://disasterhelp.gov>.

Garrison Named SEMA Area A Coordinator

Effective September 16, 2006, Al Garrison is the SEMA Area A Coordinator. A retired Missouri National Guard Lt Colonel, Garrison has been a special assistant for SEMA since March dividing his time duties between designing the Aug 9 Busch Stadium and the Sept 16 Nodaway County terrorism exercises, and catastrophic earthquake planning. Jim Charrier Training & Exercise Section Chief will miss Garrison. As the Area A Coordinator, Garrison will provide planning assistance, coordinate exercise and training opportunities, and work with other SEMA activities for the Area A Counties of: Bates, Benton, Carroll, Cass, Clay, Henry, Jackson, Johnson, Lafayette, Pettis, Platte, Ray, and Saline. **WELCOME!**

Homeland Security Grant Deadlines Approaching

Reminder, the deadline for spending approved Extension Requests is quickly approaching. Please check your particular award for the deadline. NO additional extension requests will be available on FY 03-2 or FY 04.

- **FY 03-2 — ends 10/31/2006**
- **FY 04 — ends November 30, 2006.**
- **FY 05 spending is expected to be complete in either January or February 2007.**

Area Coordinator Meetings

Area B:	6:30 p.m., Sept. 19, 2006	Kirksville Fire Department
Area C:	10 a.m., Sept. 28, 2006	St. Louis County EMA, Chesterfield
Area D:	9:30 a.m., Oct. 11, 2006	Ryan's Steak House, Springfield
Area F:	10 a.m., Sept 20, 2006	Callaway Co. Law Enforcement Ctr., Fulton
Area I:	10 a.m., Oct. 13, 2006	Meramac RPC, St. James

CEDAP Grant Deadline September 22

Applications for FY 2006 Commercial Equipment Direct Assistance Program (CEDAP) **must be submitted by September 22, 2006.** Applicants should visit www.rkb.mipt.org.

CEDAP provides smaller communities and rural areas with technology and equipment, together with training and technical assistance, to help enhance first responder capabilities throughout the nation. Eligible applicants include law enforcement agencies, fire, and other emergency responders who demonstrate that the equipment will be used to improve their ability and capacity to respond to a major critical incident or improve their ability to work with other first responders.

American Red Cross Launches Disaster Victim Safe and Well Registry

The American Red Cross launched the Safe and Well Web site <http://disastersafe.redcross.org> The website provides families with a tool to exchange welfare information with loved ones and friends in the immediate aftermath of a disaster. It also allows a disaster victim to select and post standard messages for friends and family that indicate the victim is safe, well, and will make contact when able. Those worried about the safety of a victim can access the site, enter either the name and telephone number or name and complete address of the person in question, and view their "safe and well" messages.

NIMS Compliance Deadline September 30

The Federal compliance deadline is September 30, 2006, for the following classes:

- IS-700: All Emergency Responders - First-Line Supervisors, Mid-level Response Supervisors, Senior-level Response Managers, and Elected Officials.
- IS-100: All Emergency Responders - First-line Supervisors, Mid-level Response Supervisors, Senior-level Response Managers, and Elected Officials.
- IS-200: First-Line Supervisors - Mid-level Response Supervisors, and Senior-level Response Managers.

- IS-800: Mid-level Response Managers, and Senior-level Response Managers.
- **The deadline for IS-300 and IS-400 is September 30, 2007.**

HDER Equipment Program

The **Homeland Defense Equipment Reuse (HDER)** Program is available to provide surplus radiological detection instrumentation and other equipment, as well as training and long-term technical support, to emergency responder agencies to enhance their homeland security preparedness capabilities. This grant is open to all first responders. The website to access the list of equipment is <http://www.rkb.mipt.org>

Please send your list by mail, fax or email to SEMA, as soon as possible. SEMA must submit orders before the following deadlines: **December 1, 2006, March 1, 2007, June 1, 2007, and September 1, 2007.** For information, contact Brian Ingram at 573-526-9227, or email: Brian.Ingram@sema.dps.mo.gov

Cape Girardeau to Host RCPI Course October 12-13

“Creating Vigilant, Prepared, and Resilient Communities for Homeland Security” will be offered October 12-13 at the Osage Community Center, Cape Girardeau. The Missouri-Regional Community Policing Institute (RCPI), the Western Regional-RCPI, and the Department of Homeland Security’s Domestic Preparedness Department are sponsoring the course.

PPE Training for LEA/EMS Personnel

If your organization received Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) through the LEA/EMS program in FY2004, training is available to help your personnel learn to correctly use and store the equipment. Please contact the State Training Office, Jim Charrier (573-526-9120) or Debbie Cheshire (573-526-9111) to arrange training.

NOAA Weather Radios distributed to Nation’s Schools

By Jim Kramper, NWS St. Louis

During the week of September 18, NOAA Weather Tone Alert radios will start arriving at more than 97,000 public schools across America as part of a joint project between the Departments of Commerce, Education and Homeland Security. An instruction manual shipped with each radio shows schools how to obtain FIPS/SAME codes and program the radios.

7 HRST Teams Participate in Nodaway County Terrorism Exercise

Seven Homeland Security Response Teams (HRSTs) responded to multiple disasters in a Nodaway County terrorism exercise. Participating teams were from Buchanan County, Boone County, Johnson County, Hannibal, Kirksville, Northland (Kansas City area), and Sedalia.

The exercise tested local law enforcement’s ability to collect, verify and relay sensitive information to the state. It tested the state’s ability to effectively deploy specially trained response teams to an incident. And, it allowed the highly trained team members to demonstrate their ability to use the state-of-the-art equipment.

Citizen Corps Meeting Set for September 28

Missouri Citizen Corps will attend a day-long conference on September 28, at the State Emergency Operations Center in Jefferson City. The Cole County Citizen Corps sponsors the conference. This conference is for Citizen Corps Coordinators, Members and Affiliated Program Leaders from across the state.